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Stage Stop Mushers Battle Weather Extremes in 30th Annual Sled Dog Race.

At the halfway mark of the 30th annual Pedigree Stage Stop Sled Dog Race, mushers and their canine teams have faced a dramatic array of weather conditions over the course of the 7-stage, 215-mile event. The competitors encountered everything from blizzard conditions that erased the trail on day two to unseasonably warm temperatures in the mid-50s during stage three, and today's challenges of icy snow, high winds, and flat light conditions.

Today's run, set in the southern Wyoming Range near Kemmerer, proved particularly formidable. Strong, sustained winds carried wet, icy snow that pelted mushers' faces and severely reduced visibility along the compacted trail. In the treeless white expanses of the plateaus bordering the upper Hams Fork River drainage of the Bridger Teton National Forest, mushers found that having a confident, experienced lead dog was crucial for navigating the near-invisible trail under flat light conditions.

Anny Malo of Quebec, Canada, maintained a commanding lead today as the race passed its midway point. The competition now shifts its focus toward Lander, Wyoming, where stages four and five will unfold in the rugged terrain of the Wind River Mountains — home to the historic South Pass of the Rocky Mountains and a key landmark on the Oregon Trail.

The 30th running of the Pedigree Stage Stop Sled Dog Race is set to conclude after Saturday's Stage Seven near Union Pass, east of Dubois, Wyoming

For further information and complete standings visit the race website at www.wyomingstagestop.org A short documentary celebrating the 30th anniversary of the race can be viewed here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bSF3R9-4Q6A

A short sizzle reel can be viewed here: https://www.facebook.com/PedigreeStageStopRace/videos/1618640549040419 For a complete listing of current standings, information about the race, or stage details, please visit www.wyomingstagestop.org.

Schedule of Events

February 4 – Stage Three – Big Piney / Marbleton, Wyoming.
February 5 – Stage Four – Kemmerer, Wyoming.
February 6 – Stage Five – Lander, Wyoming.
February 7 – Stage Six – Lander, Wyoming.
February 8 – Stage Seven– Dubois, Wyoming.

2025 Competitors

Bib #1. Michael Tetzner from Burg, Germany. Bib #2. Austin Forney from Leadville, Colorado. Bib #3. Chris Adkins from Canyon Creek, Montana. Bib #4. Michael Bestgen from St Cloud, Minnesota. Bib #5. Liam Conner from Loon Lake, Saskatchewan, Canada. Bib #6. Sarah Tarlton from Mountain, Wisconsin. Bib #7. Tim Thiessen from Leadville, Colorado. Bib #8.AI Borak from Newberry Michigan. Bib #9. Cathy Rivest from St-Paul-de-Joilette Quebec, Canada. Bib #10. Anny Malo from Saint Zenon Quebec, Canada. Bib #11.Alix Crittenden from Bondurant, Wyoming. Bib #12. Bruce Magnusson from Newberry, Michigan. Bib #13. IR Anderson from Buyck, Minnesota. Bib #14. Leonie Tetzner from Burg, Germany. Bib #15. Dave Hochman from Carlowrie, Manitoba, Canada. Bib #16. Sean Hildreth from Bend, Oregon. Bib #17. Stéphane Roy from New Brunswick, Canada.

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